MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): With reference to part (*g*), even without the incident referred to, am I to understand that the students would have left the hostel?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): It is not said so.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): May I know whether the 38 students who left the Hostel left it on account of the trouble in the hostel or in the ordinary course?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): It is clear that they left on account of the trouble in the hostel.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Who is responsible for the loss of Rs. 561?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The students leaving the Hostel.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Is it not on account of the indiscreet action of the Warden?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): It cannot be said to be due to his indiscretion.

Mahomedan Deputation.

12. MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether a Mahomedan deputation waited upon the Dewan during the last Assembly week;

(*b*) the object of the deputation;

(*c*) whether the deputation submitted a memorial;

(*d*) what the reply of the Dewan to the deputation was; and

(*e*) whether the Dewan wrote a letter of regret to Mr. P. S. Mahomed of Alleppey regarding his reply to the deputation?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Representation of certain grievances of the Muslim community.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) That he would consider the legitimate claims of the community.

(*e*) No.

Public Market at Elanji.

13. MR. A. J. JOHN (*Vaikam*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have received representations for opening a public market at Elanji? If so, what action have they taken in the matter?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): A petition from some inhabitants of Elanjikara, Piravam *pakuthi*, Muvattupuzha taluk, praying for the opening of a public market was received and the same has been forwarded to the Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner for remarks.

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MR. A. J. JOHN (*Vaikam*): May I know the date of the petition?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): I have not got the information here. The report on the subject being incomplete, the matter has been referred back to the Peishkar for detailed report by the Land Revenue Commissioner.

Traffic Inspector's Post.

14. **MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI** (*Tovala*): With reference to the answer to the question *re* Traffic Inspector given at the meeting of the Council held on the 17th Tulam 1101, will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they propose to fill the vacant post of the Traffic Inspector;

(*b*) if so, whether they will give preference to Tamilians; and

(*c*) whether they received any applications from Tamilians, and, if so, the qualifications of those applicants?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The answer is in the affirmative.

(*b*) The claims of all communities including the Tamilians will receive due consideration.

(*c*) There was an application from a Tamilian candidate who is an L. M. E. with some practical experience in motor engineering.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): May I know the nature of the practical experience that the applicant had in motor engineering?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I cannot answer that unless I look up the application.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): Are the Government aware that there is no special training in motor engineering?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I am not aware.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): May I know whether they admit that the claims of Tamilians are not adequately considered in the matter of recruitment to public service, particularly to the Police Department?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I cannot answer that as it does not seem to arise out of this question.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): Will the Chief Secretary please refresh his memory in regard to the answer to the question given at the meeting of the Council held on the 17th Tulam 1101, relating to the claims of Tamilians in the matter of recruitment to the Police Department?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Where is the necessity to refer to that question or refresh my memory about it?

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): From the answer given to that question, it is clear that the Government themselves indirectly admit that the claims of Tamilians should be considered.

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I have neither that question nor the answer to it with me here.

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